House File 509 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 509 BY BENNETT

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to parking spaces designated for charging
- 2 electric motor vehicles, and providing penalties.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 321.210, subsection 2, paragraph c, Code 2 2019, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 c. Parking violations, meaning a violation of a local
- 4 authority parking ordinance or a violation of sections
- 5 321L.4, section 321.366, subsection 1, paragraph "f", and
- 6 sections 321.354 through 321.361, including section 321.358A,
- 7 except section 321.354, subsection 1, paragraph "a".
- 8 Sec. 2. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **321.358A** Electric motor vehicle 9 parking.
- 10 A person shall not park a motor vehicle that is not an
- 11 electric motor vehicle in a parking space designated for
- 12 charging the batteries or other energy storage devices of
- 13 electric motor vehicles. For purposes of this section,
- 14 "electric motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle equipped with
- 15 electrical drivetrain components that has the ability to be
- 16 propelled, fully or partially, by one or more electrical motors
- 17 using electrical energy stored in a battery or other energy
- 18 storage device that can be recharged by plugging into an
- 19 electrical outlet or electric motor vehicle charging station.
- 20 Sec. 3. Section 602.8103, subsection 4, paragraph k, Code
- 21 2019, is amended to read as follows:
- 22 k. Complaints, trial informations, and uniform citations
- 23 and complaints relating to parking violations under sections
- 24 321.236, 321.239, 321.358, 321.358A, 321.360, and 321.361, one
- 25 year after final disposition.
- Sec. 4. Section 602.8106, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code
- 27 2019, is amended to read as follows:
- 28 c. For filing and docketing a complaint or information or
- 29 uniform citation and complaint for parking violations under
- 30 sections 321.236, 321.239, 321.358, 321.358A, 321.360, and
- 31 321.361, eight dollars, effective January 1, 2004. The court
- 32 costs in cases of parking meter and overtime parking violations
- 33 which are contested, and charged and collected pursuant
- 34 to section 321.236, subsection 1, or pursuant to a uniform
- 35 citation and complaint, are eight dollars per information or

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- 1 complaint or per uniform citation and complaint effective
- 2 January 1, 1991.
- 3 Sec. 5. Section 805.8A, subsection 1, Code 2019, is amended
- 4 by adding the following new paragraph:
- 5 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. For a parking violation under section
- 6 321.358A, the scheduled fine is fifty dollars.
- 7 EXPLANATION
- 8 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 9 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 10 This bill prohibits a person from parking a motor vehicle
- 11 that is not an electric motor vehicle, as defined in the bill,
- 12 in a parking space designated for charging the batteries or
- 13 other energy storage devices of electric motor vehicles. A
- 14 violation of this provision is punishable by a scheduled fine 15 of \$50.
- 16 The bill makes a corresponding change to Code section
- 17 321.210, excluding the parking violation from being considered
- 18 by the department of transportation for purposes of driver's
- 19 license suspension. By operation of law, the parking violation
- 20 is also not considered for suspension of a restricted driver's
- 21 license under Code section 321.178(2)(b), cancellation of
- 22 a motorized bicycle driver's license under Code section
- 23 321.189(7)(c), revocation of a special minor's driver's license
- 24 under Code section 321.194(4), cancellation of a temporary
- 25 restricted license under Code section 321.215(3), or habitual
- 26 offender status under Code section 321.555(2).
- 27 The bill also makes corresponding changes to Code section
- 28 602.8103, relating to the clerk of court's destruction of
- 29 records for parking violations, and Code section 602.8106,
- 30 providing for an \$8 fee charged by the clerk of court to file
- 31 and docket complaints for parking violations.